

Coeds Take Top Places In Contest

Debbie Riggs, freshman at Missouri Southern College, was crowned Miss Neosho of 1969 at the annual pageant in Neosho April 12.

Debbie will represent Neosho in the Miss Missouri Pageant July 12 in Springfield.



Debbie Riggs

Cheri Snow, MSC freshman, received first runner-up honors. Mary Ellen Williams, MSC sophomore, won second runner-up honors.

Debbie took first place in the swim suit competition and the evening dress competition. She also placed high in the talent competition. In addition to winning three trophies, she received a \$300 scholarship to the college of her choice, and many other gifts.

As first runner-up, Cheri will represent Neosho in the Miss Missouri Pageant if Debbie is not able to enter. She received a \$150 scholarship to the college of her choice.

As second runner-up, Mary Ellen won a \$100 scholarship to the college of her choice.

At MSC, Debbie was a candidate for football homecoming queen, a freshman senator and a varsity cheerleader; Cheri is active in the drama department productions; and Mary Ellen was co-holder of the MSC Miss Merry Christmas title.

Debbie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riggs of 1020 Moffet in Joplin. Cheri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snow of 401 East Thirty-third Street in Joplin, and Mary Ellen is the daughter of Mrs. Eleanor Williams of 2822 East Sixteenth Street in Joplin.

The Chart

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Two Student Parties Organize To Run Slates in Senate Race

Battle lines are being drawn as the race for Student Senate executive officers nears the April 25 election. This year's election also marks the birth of two student political parties that are sponsoring candidates and platforms in the contest.

The two new parties are the Student Independent Party and the United Student Party. Both parties have gained numerous followers among the MSC student body.

The SIP is sponsoring a slate of officers headed by Jay Bonnit and Roger Brown as president and vice president, respectively. Bonnit, current junior class president, and Brown are running on a platform that calls for two major concerts a year, more dynamic speakers for the College, a student member on the Board of Trustees, re-scheduling of the spring break along the lines of the University of Missouri, and more student participation and interest in The Chart.

The USP is sponsoring Charles Kirby, current Student Senate vice president and acting president, and Larry Schroeder, an associate justice of the College's Student Court, as president and vice president, respectively. Kirby

stated that the USP does not propose a platform as such, but has offered different "applications to the same problems." The USP's goals include a 10-member student union board, an inter-interest council, an internal audit of the uses for student activity ticket funds, continuation of the President's club, and better communication and student interest in The Chart and the Pro Tem.

According to Bonnit, the SIP hopes to correct the "apathy" and lack of student interest on campus. According to Kirby, the USP's answer lies within a unification of various college interests — Student Senate, interest clubs, the administration, College publications, and the proposed student union board and the inter-interest council.

Although nominating petitions will be accepted at Dean Dudley Stegge's office until 12 noon, Tuesday, the SIP and the USP candidates are the only students to file thus far. As the College constitution stipulates, a primary election will be held next Wednesday. The general election will be held Friday.

Polling places will be in the cafeteria and on the second

floor of Hearnes Hall from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

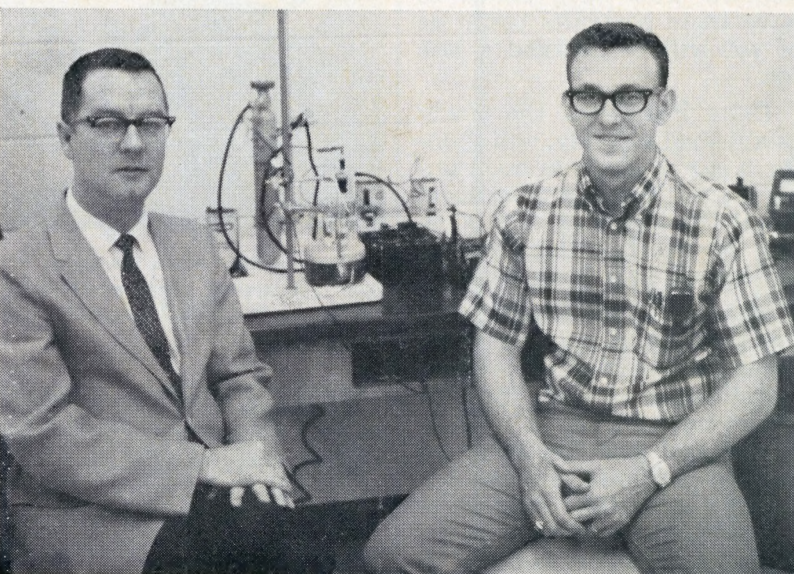
A nominating assembly to allow students to hear the candidates will be held Monday, April 21, at 3 p.m., in the Fine Arts Gallery.

Students will elect a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and parliamentarian.

Interest in the campaign has already led to a grilling of the major candidates by representatives of several College organizations. A special meeting of interest club representatives was called last Monday afternoon to hear the candidates and their platforms. The funding of campus organizations by the Student Senate was the basis for the meeting, which was called by Herb Gailey, president of the Young Democrats.

After hearing and questioning the presidential and vice presidential candidates for both parties, Gailey released this statement: "Presidents or other executive officers of a majority of clubs present at a meeting called for the interest clubs, voted on April 14 to give their support to Mr. Charles Kirby, running for president of the student body, and to Mr. Larry Schroeder, running for vice president, on the ticket of the United Student Party."

Clubs present at the meeting included the Art League, College Players, Engineer's Club, Math Club, Modern Language Club, Auto Tech, Young Democrats, Young Republicans and Mu Sigma Gamma. Representatives of The Chart did not participate in the voting. The representatives of the College Players abstained. All College interest groups had been invited to attend.



Dr. James J. Altendorf, chairman of the science and mathematics division, and Richard Spencer, a senior chemistry major, have corroborated in writing an article concerning an advanced study experiment that they conducted here at Missouri Southern. The article, "Analysis of Fluorine and Phosphorus in the Compound Tetramethylammonium Hexafluorophosphate," is to be published in "The Transactions of the Missouri Academy of Science."

Music Major To Present Senior Recital

Denise Crosswhite, daughter of Mr. Clarence Crosswhite of Joplin, will present her senior music recital April 27. The recital, which will be given in the choir room of the music building, will consist of eight numbers. "Mozart Sonata in C Minor," "Intermezzo" by Brahms and "Capriccio" also by Brahms, "Berceuse" by Chopin and "Waltz" by Chopin, "Ritual Fire Dance" composed by De Fala, "Etude" by Scriabin and "Concerto" by Mozart.



Denise Crosswhite

Denise, a 1965 graduate of Joplin High School, has been playing the piano since she was in the first grade. Her current music teacher is Mrs. Roberta Sovereign. She teaches piano and is an organist at the First Methodist Church.

During her years at Missouri Southern College Denise has played for the choir and the Collegiates. Denise assists other vocal music majors in playing for their recitals and also plays for vocal lessons.

Crossroads To Hold Ball

The thirty-second annual Crossroads Ball will open the new Student Union, Saturday, May 3.

The Ball, the only formal dance at MSC, will begin at 9 p.m. The Classmen, the recording group from Kansas City, will provide music for the Ball.

Coronation of the Crossroads Queen will highlight the night's festivities. Candidates for the honor will be sponsored by various organizations and will be announced at a later date.

The Crossroads Queen will be selected by a vote of the student body.

According to Ray Mathis, editor of the Crossroads, the first quarter of the yearbook is due to arrive for distribution any day. Mathis stated that the yearbook section and the binding should be distributed by May 3 and the Ball.

The Crossroads Ball is being co-sponsored by the Crossroads staff and the Student Senate.

The Chart

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Check Those Promises

Once again Senate elections are at hand, but this year's elections are sporting a new look. Two student political parties have appeared on the scene.

While it is not known whether either party can fulfill its campaign promises, both have at least started on the right road. The Student Independent Party vows to combat "apathy" on campus and the United Student Party hopes to "unify" the students for common goals. Both parties have succeeded to the extent that they have killed enough apathy and united enough students to at least form two enthusiastic student parties.

Without pre-judging the SIP or the USP or taking sides in the election race, The Chart can only urge the student body to weigh the issues and view each candidate for his own merit. It should be remembered that even in the largest campaigns, some promises can never be fulfilled with all the good intentions a candidate may have.

Students must look at each platform realistically. What can be done? If the promise is plausible, why hasn't it been done before? Are there extenuating circumstances that would make a campaign promise unrealistic? Check it out and don't be fooled by pie-in-the-sky promises.

Regardless of the party, the most important thing is to take an active part and vote in the elections. Also important is the candidacy of "independents" who are not affiliated with either the SIP or the USP. Hopefully, individuals who want to serve the College but who cannot honestly follow either of the two parties will not feel smothered out of the election. The two parties may be running slates of officers, but in the final ballot, the students will be electing individuals, not parties. — K. B.

JOTS

CIRUNA will sponsor a car wash, Saturday, April 19. Locations for the car wash will be announced at a later date. Tickets will be sold in advance for \$1 per car and may be purchased from Mrs. Annetta St. Clair. Proceeds from the car wash and the \$50 collected from the candy sale will be used to defray travel expenses to Jefferson City where club members will observe the State Legislature. CIRUNA is also currently planning an appreciation dinner, May 2, for all faculty members of the history and political science departments who have given help to the organization.

Seniors who have not made appointments for Crossroads portraits should do so immediately at Hal Wilder's studios in Joplin. If seniors have not received a letter from Wilder issuing tentative dates for sittings, there will be no charge.

Seniors who have failed to have their portraits taken as of yet will be charged a late fee.

Delta Phi Delta, the newly established sorority, will sponsor a car wash from noon until 6 p.m., Sunday afternoon, April 27. Price of the wash will be \$1. Location will be announced at a later date.

The MSC Art League outlined future plans and made plans for revision of original Constitution at their meeting Thursday, April 10. Jerry Breen and Jim Burrell were elected as Constitutional Advisory Committee. New rules are in effect creating an honor group within the League. A 2.7 GPA is necessary to qualify.

Alan Potter wishes to thank all his friends who sent him get well cards while he was in the hospital.

One-Act Plays to Highlight Dramatico '69 at Barn Tonight

As in Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, "the play's the thing" at the Barn Theatre this evening. The drama department will present Dramatico '69, featuring three one-act plays.

In Dramatico, senior drama majors Gary Roney and Stanley Graham will each present one-act plays which they have directed as partial fulfillment of their graduation requirements for degrees in drama.

Roney will present "An Absence on Edgemont Street," an original one-act play by MSC drama instructor Duane Hunt. Tonight's performance will mark the Joplin premiere of the play although it has been performed at Springfield and at the University of Arkansas.

"An Absence on Edgemont Street" shows a portion of man's life when, after returning to his childhood home, he realizes that people and places change. Roney's cast for the play consists of Susie Davis, Sharon Pyeatte, and Bruce Brown.

Graham will present "Purgatory," a verse play by the Irish poet and playwright, William Butler Yeats. The two-character play involves a father who thinks his family's background is polluted and wants to end this rankness through murder.

The cast for "Purgatory" consists of Roger Brown as the man and Neil Larson as the son.

Gary Roney directs Sharon Pyeatte and Bruce Brown in a scene from the one-act play "An Absence on Edgemont Street." "Absence" is one of three plays scheduled to be presented at the Barn Theatre this evening.

Graham has also appeared in many MSC productions, starring in "The Lady's Not for Burning" and "Finian's Rainbow," which made the USO tour of the Northeast Command. Graham has also assisted in the technical side of theatre, aiding in construction and lighting. He is also active in music. He is a soloist in the MSC Chorale and a member of the Collegiates.

Completing Dramatico '69 will be the first local showing of "The Great Crusade — Or 'Hell No, We Won't Go!'" The one-act play, written by instructors Gwen and Duane Hunt, won rave notices from the critics at the Oral Interpretation Association's Hawthorne Festival at the University of Missouri.

"The Great Crusade — Or 'Hell, No We Won't Go!'" is an audience confrontation play and depicts the attitudes surrounding war. The play's title expresses two attitudes toward war while apathy serves as the third attitude.

The cast for the play consists of Irma Woodward, Joyce McBroom, Judy Pearcey, Dick Pierson and Gary Roney. Mrs. Hunt is director for the production.

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Stan Graham scans his script before rehearsing the one-act play "Purgatory" that he is directing for Dramatico '69.

Both Roney and Graham are MSC drama veterans. Roney has appeared in many productions, including "Dark of the Moon." He has shown special interest in the technical side of the theatre, however, and has assisted in construction chores for several plays. Roney designed the set construction for "The Lady's Not for Burning."

Student Nurse Organization Selects Darlene Hilton as 'Nurse of the Year'

The Missouri Southern Student Nurse Organization selected Darlene Hilton as Student Nurse of the Year during Student Nurse Week, March 16 to March 21. Twila Ryan, first runner up in the event, received a merit award.

Candidates for the honor must have been in the last semester of nursing school, an active member of the Student Nurse Association, and must have maintained a 2.0 grade point average. All qualifying candidates were reviewed by the MSC nursing faculty and two students' names were presented to the senior class for final selection.

The theme of Student Nurse Week this year was "The Student Nurse — Someone Who Cares." Student Nurse Week was proclaimed by Missouri Governor Warren E. Hearnes.

Darlene and Twila also represented the student nurses on the Helen Wyatt Show on KODE-TV, Monday, March 17. Darlene, accompanied by Mrs. Marilyn Jacobs, sponsor of the MSC Student Nurse Organization and Bill Cox appeared on the television show the following day to give

information about Student Nurse Week and about the two-year program at the College.

Representatives from the MSC Student Nurse Organization traveled to the Lodge of Four Seasons at Lake Ozark, Missouri to attend a MOSSNA workshop April 11-12. Posters made for Student Nurse Week

were entered by the MSC representatives in a competition at the workshop. The MSC students selected to attend the workshop included Twila Ryan, Shirleen Sims, Marge Garrison and Doris Huffman. Also accompanying the group were Mrs. Jacobs, Barbara Bailey, Sondra Duncan and Flo Atkinson.

BSU Members to Attend Leadership Conference Today

Missouri Southern College Baptist Student Union members and their friends will attend a BSU Leadership Training Conference today through Sunday at Windermere Baptist Assembly, Roach, Missouri.

BSU members from campuses throughout Missouri will attend the conference which will include devotional periods, conferences, inspirational messages, campus planning meetings and planned tours and recreation.

The main purpose of the meeting is to inspire and train new campus BSU executive councils which have been elected to serve the 1969-70 school year.

Groups of students scheduled to receive special recognition during the meeting include summer missionaries and the new State BSU Council.

In addition to Missouri directors and students, program personnel will include many Baptist leaders from around the nation.

Women's Softball Team Begins Practice for JSA

The Missouri Southern women's softball team has begun practicing for this summer's season in the Joplin Softball Association. The summer schedule has not been announced as yet, but season play should begin within the first two weeks of May, according to team members.

College women who play for the MSC team are Pam Aggus, Donna Alsbury, Barbara Bendure, Deanna Bendure, Myrtle Bendure, Rose Fox, Sharon McCurrie, Linda Shilling, Cindy Sour and Kathy Ummel. Non-MSC students playing on the team include Sharon Baker, Teresa Gibbons, Joyce Irwin and Tiny Williamson.

Charles Finter, director at the Joplin YMCA, will coach the team.

Positions on the 20-girl roster are still open. Women interested in playing on the College team should contact Finter or a team member for further information.

The team plans to practice at 2 p.m. every Sunday afternoon at the MSC practice field or at Ewert Park in Joplin.

There are currently five other teams signed to play in the Joplin Softball Association Women's League. These are the Neosho Gidgets, Eagle-Picher Cuties, Dor-Flex Industries, the Cajun Queens and First National Bank.

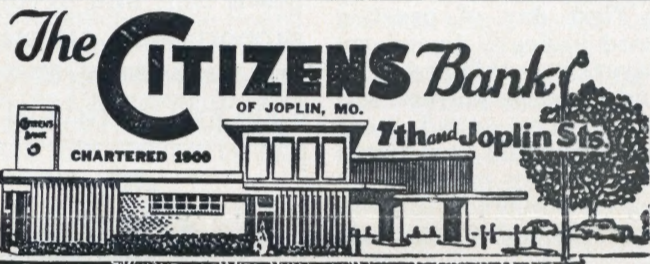
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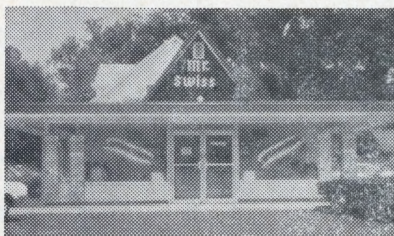
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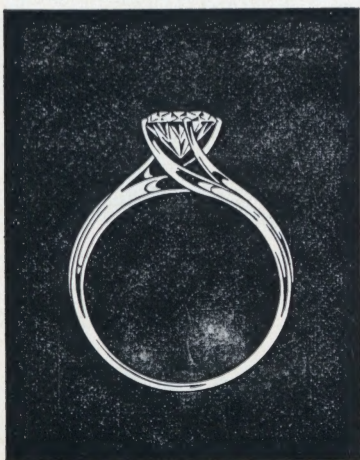
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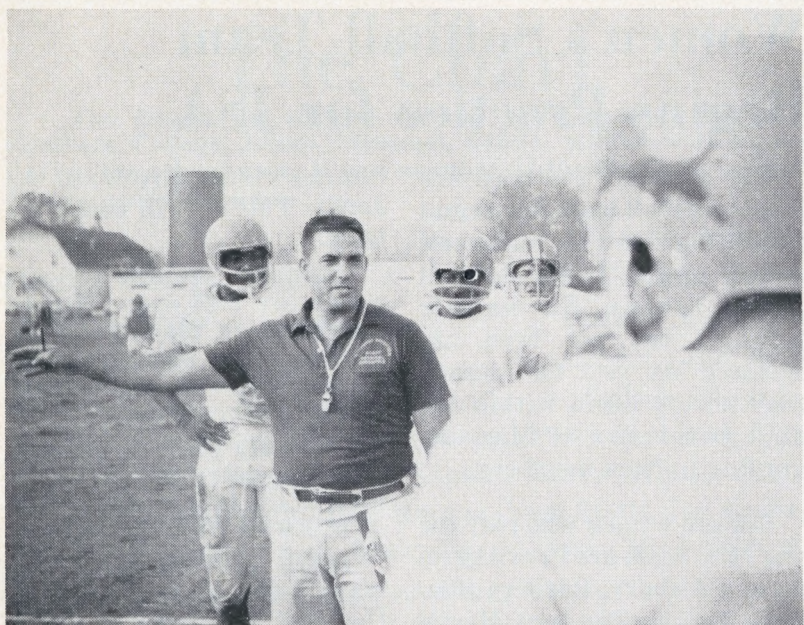
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Reuben Berry, new head football coach at Missouri Southern, points out instructions during a recent spring practice session on the MSC practice field. Spring drills began on Monday, April 7.

Southern Linksmen Boast 7-3 Record

Doug Landrith's Missouri Southern College golf squad is off to a flying start, having won seven of their first 10 matches of the season.

Landrith's Lion linksmen opened their season on Wednesday, April 2, when they entertained Baker University of Baldwin, Kansas, in a dual match at Joplin's Schifferdecker Municipal course.

Southern posted a 13½-4½ victory in that outing, with points being awarded on a medal-medal-medal basis. Steve Carlson, MSC sophomore, captured medalist honors with a one-under-par 71.

The Lions boosted their dual standard to 3-0 on Thursday, April 3, when they swept a triangular from Kansas State College of Pittsburg and Washburn University of Topeka at Pittsburg.

Southern edged KSC in a seven-man match, 11½-9½, and took a 9½-5½ verdict over Washburn in a five-man affair.

Steve Carlson paced the Lions with a 76, while Pittsburg's Nick LaForge took medalist honors with a 75.

Southern served as host for a four-team tournament at Briarbrook Golf and Country Club on Saturday, April 5. MSC defeated Southwest Missouri State of Springfield, 8-7, and downed Pittsburg, 8½-6½, while bowing to Drury College of Springfield, 8-7, to bring its season record to 5-1.

Dave Tourtelot copped med-

alist honors with a 79, but had to defeat Bill Harris of MSC, Nick LaForge of Pittsburg and Russell Orms of SMS in a sudden-death playoff for the title.

The Drury squad received a trophy for first place in the team event with a 327 total. Southern was one stroke back at 328, followed by Pittsburg at 332 and SMS at 336. The four low scores on each team were figured into the team totals. Tourtelot won a medalist trophy, while LaForge won an award for runner-up honors.

Southern then journeyed to Muskogee, Oklahoma, on Friday, April 11, for a triangular match. The Lions posted an 8½-7½ victory over Pittsburg, but suffered a 9-7 setback at the hands of Northeastern Oklahoma of Tahlequah.

Bill Harris of MSC won medalist honors with a three-over-par 73. Other scores were Steve Carlson, 85; Dave Tourtelot, 79; Scott Everett, 78, and Frank Jacobs, 85.

Harris ranked as the Lions' top golfer after the first four outings with a total of 305 strokes in four tests, good for an average of 76.3 per outing.

Trailing Harris were Tourtelot, 78.5; Carlson, 79.3; Everett, 81.3; Lawson, 82.3; Jacobs, 82.7, and Laster, 82.5. Carlson, Tourtelot and Everett each had competed in four events, Jacobs and Lawson in three each and Laster in a pair.

Coach Berry Promises Exciting, Explosive Club

The Missouri Southern College football squad opened spring practice Monday, April 7, under the direction of new head coach Reuben Berry.

Coach Berry opened the spring drill session with an inspiring and explosive speech directed to outlining what will come this spring and next fall.

Berry made it clear to the players that the upcoming season definitely will be one of improvement over last year's 2-8 showing if the players put out 100 per cent at all times.

The new mentor, who succeeds Jim Johnson as the Lions' head coach, stressed that conditioning and speed will be the two main objectives he will accomplish this spring. Berry said, "Next fall we will win games because we'll outdiscipline and outcondition every team we face."

After the first three days of practice it was obvious to Southern's gridders that coach Berry will do exactly what he sets out to do.

The first day of practice was used basically to inform the players how things will be run and how the players will run them. The squad went through drills and procedures to iron out any mistakes or misunderstandings that could arise later during spring practice.

"If a mistake occurs in practice, mistakes will occur in games; and you can't win games and make mistakes at the same time," Berry noted.

After the first day, the following practices went smoothly and the work began. The squad began to shape up and

already there were signs that Berry's program was making progress and succeeding. Throughout the drills and practice sessions, Berry stresses that hustle and hard work will pay off.

Berry commented, "Our team is going to be exciting and explosive. We want that crowd to show up at our games 20 minutes early just to see us burst out onto that field." Berry practices what he preaches, in that each day the MSC footballers explode out of the locker room and onto the practice field at full speed

and go right into their drills.

The reaction of the players toward their new coach is that of confidence and respect for a man they know can do the job.

Even though drills have just begun, the team seems to have progressed rapidly, and it is evident that discipline is being accomplished, conditioning of the players is already under way and all-around team spirit is increasing.

If this is any sign as to what is to come next fall, good things most probably will be in store for MSC football fans.

— D. K.

Note of Thanks

Athletic director Mike Bogard, speaking on behalf of the athletes and coaches of Missouri Southern College, would like to thank Delbert Johnson and William Taylor and their "Lion Pride" marching band for the support and honor they have brought to Missouri Southern College's athletic contests.

The members of the MSC marching band have spent much time and devotion as well as nights practicing to support MSC athletes on the field and hardwood. The athletic department wishes to thank the "Lion Pride" for a job well appreciated.



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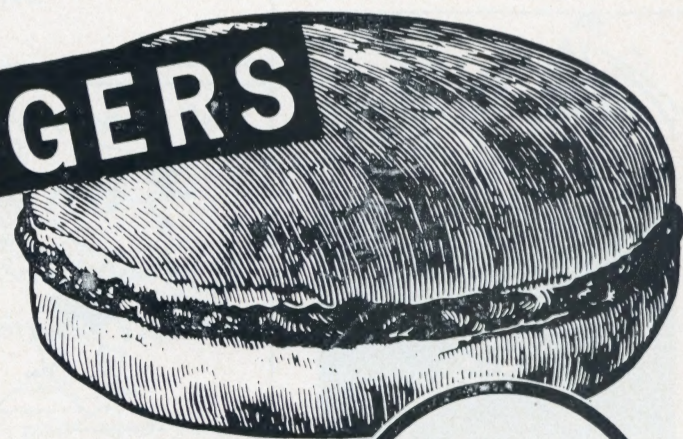
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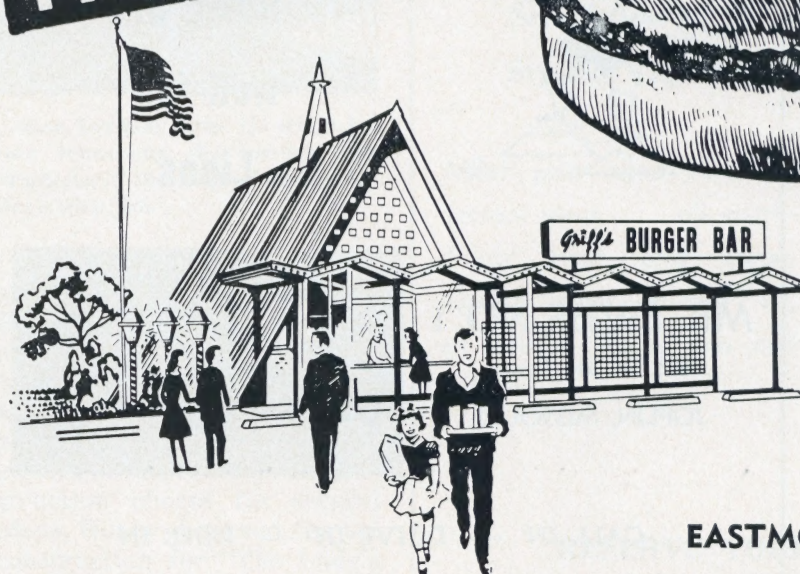
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